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WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please insert the following sentence at the beginning of the first paragraph of the section titled  
**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATION** as follows:

- -This patent application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/303,266, filed April 30, 1999 entitled A METHOD FOR COMBINING COMMUNICATION BEAMS IN A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, which is incorporated herein by reference. - -